

REMARKS

This amendment responds to the final Office Action mailed July 26, 2004.

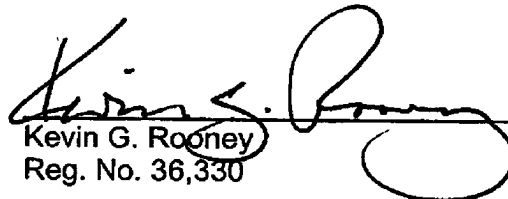
Claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 2 which was indicated as allowable by the Examiner. Claim 2 has been canceled and claim 3 has been revised to depend from claim 1. Therefore, pending claims 1, 3-16 and 23 are in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited at this time.

If the Examiner believes any matter requires further discussion, the Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned attorney so that the matter may be promptly resolved.

Applicants do not believe that any fees are due in connection with this response. However, if such petition is due or any fees are necessary, the Commissioner may consider this to be a request for such and charge any necessary fees to deposit account 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

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